

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Savior of the Heathen, Come

J. S. Bach

Ringing of the Tower Bells

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT AND PROCESSION OF THE ACOLYTES

Still, Still, Still

arr. Norman Luboff

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 119

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL

*LITANY OF PRAISE

During Advent we wait for the light in the darkness.

We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.

During Advent we watch for hope in the midst of despair.

We watch in hope for the Lord; O come, Emmanuel.

*GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH AND ADVENT READING

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 128

One Candle Is Lit

CRADLE SONG

(stanza 1)

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray . . .

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER *(using debts and debtors)* & CHORAL RESPONSE

THE RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(9 A.M.)

*Our Hope Is in Emmanuel***

Victor C. Johnson

(11 A.M.)

Open Now, My Heart

J. S. Bach

*THE DOXOLOGY 46

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

COMMUNION HYMN 569

Jesus, Remember Me

REMEMBER ME

(sing twice)

THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE PRAYERS OF THE ELDERS

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

(All followers of Christ are invited to share in the bread and cup which represent the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, as they nourish us in our life together in His name.)

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

**The congregation is invited to stand at these times of the service. Feel free to remain seated if need be.*

*(11 A.M.) HYMN 139

All Earth Is Waiting

TAULÉ

(Parents, during 11 a.m. worship, please bring your first-third graders to join a Worship and Wonder leader in the Gallery. Children will return to the Sanctuary during the Hymn of Discipleship.)

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 25:1-10

(Scripture may be found on page 502 of the Old Testament in the pew Bibles.)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

The Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

(11 A.M.) ANTHEM

*Our Hope Is in Emmanuel***

Victor C. Johnson

The time has come, as the prophets foretold, to prepare for the soon coming King.

He will bring us new love, and will fill our hearts with light,

and will vanquish the darkness from night.

Our hope is in Emmanuel, the promised One, God’s Holy son.

Our hope is in Emmanuel, the One Who has come to save.

We have patiently waited for the King to appear, and bring us hope, joy, and peace.

Now we wipe away our tears and no longer stand in fear,

for we know that salvation draws near!

O come, O come, Emmanuel, our Messiah, Emmanuel.

-VENI EMMANUEL

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SERMON

Be Still and Know God’s Hope

*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP 125

Come, O Long-expected Jesus

HYFRYDOL

*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Ringing of the Tower Bells

*POSTLUDE

To God We Render Thanks and Praise

J. S. Bach

IN THE SERVICE

Preaching

Larry Thomas

Scripture Reader

Orlew Lauger

Worship Leaders

Ellen Lewis

Russ Boyd

Elders

Leslie Dell and Lorraine Stell

Sue Bailey and Carol Jane Lawrence

Musicians

Kyla K. Rosenberger, *Senior Organist*

Chancel Choir

Eric Mullins, *Assist. Choirmaster*

Andrew Stewart, tenor

Chancel Guild

Preparing communion today are

Lori Eagleton, Randy Eagleton

Ann Lesok and Mandy Teichelman.

Acolytes

Novyn Sek and Tevy Sek

Joye Hatter and Hattie Castillo

Advent Wreath Candle Lighters

(9 A.M.) Members of the Common Ground Sunday school class

(11 A.M.) Todd and Angela Waldvogel

Caroline and Julia

Have you signed an attendance card today?

This Week at University Christian Church

Hanging of the Greens is **this evening**, 5:30 p.m. This festive, youth-led service provides a family-friendly worship experience that kicks off Advent by adorning UCC’s Sanctuary with symbols of the season and explaining the meaning behind the symbols.

Students Away Ministry: Send a finals care package to a student away from home. Names and addresses available in the Gallery **today**. Email jessica@uccftw.com with questions.

The Rose Circle Will Meet Tuesday, December 1, 10:30 a.m. in Room 207. If you are interested in joining a Circle, call the church and ask for Women’s Ministries.

Men's Movie Night - December 3, 6:30 p.m., Room 203. Join us for Linda Hunts' Academy Award winning performance in the film *The Year of Living Dangerously*. \$5 for chicken dinner, movie and discussion. Sign up in The Arches.

Special Christmas Carols with Chancel Choir and TCU Strings – Sunday, December 6. Hear the choir and sing along with the cantata *Joy to the World!* by John Rutter during our worship services.

Tell Your BHYLF Story! A collection of stories is being created celebrating the 40th anniversary of the festival. Briefly write a favorite memory and send to marsha@uccftw.com or boarshead@uccftw.com. Deadline is **December 7**.

The Arches Bookstore is open Sundays during Advent, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. You’ll find UCC cards and Christmas ornaments, 40th anniversary Boar’s Head commemorative items and the new children’s book *The Boar’s Head Festival* by LaLonnie Lehman; illustrations by Susan Halbower.

Childcare provided from 8:45 a.m.-12 p.m. for infants-preschool.
Handicap accessible restrooms located in The Gallery (second floor)
Assisted listening devices are available; please ask an usher to obtain one.

Ministers On Call

Ministers are available after hours and on weekends for pastoral care emergencies. If you have a need, call us at 817.926.6631, and follow the prompts.

On Call This Week


Ellen Lewis

Russ Boyd

Congregational Leadership Meetings

Personnel Committee

Tuesday, December 1 • 5:30 p.m. • Room 202



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UPDATE

Visit www.universitychristian.org for calendar and program details!

Boar's Head Grand Feast Buffet, on **Saturday, January 2**, 6:30 p.m. in Walker Hall. The Boar's Head Guild invites the UCC church family to celebrate the 40th anniversary of our Epiphany festival with a catered meal . \$10 per person. Menu available universitychristian.org. Purchase tickets in Room 239 starting **November 30** and in The Arches Bookstore **Sunday, December 6**.

Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival Tickets go on sale tomorrow, **Monday, November 30**. \$15. The festival is January 2 and 3, 3 and 5 p.m. daily. Call 817.926.6631, ext. 141, or purchase online at universitychristian.org.

Gifts of Hope Market will be in the Gallery, **Sunday, December 6** after both worship services. Your friends and family will feel honored that food, clothing, even farm animals will be purchased with your gift dollars.

A Support Group for Caregivers of those suffering from Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia meets **Thursday, December 10**, 4:30-6 p.m., Room 201. Dr. Charles Sanders and Leslie Dell have been trained by the Alzheimer's Association to facilitate this group.

Special Latte with the Ladies, December 12, 2 p.m., Montgomery Street Antique Mall Secret Garden Restaurant. Only 10 spaces still open. Register now and make your \$15 payment on the UCC website.

Christmas Angels Wrap Night, Sunday, December 13, 5 p.m. in Walker Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to help assemble gift bags. \$80 provides a gift bag for a child, although donations of all amounts are appreciated.

Poinsettia Order Forms are available at The Arches Information Desk and the Reception Desk. Orders may be made online or pam@uccftw.com.
Deadline is December 14.

Listen live on KTCU FM 88.7 or on universitychristian.org



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Journey with Us

November 29 • Advent begins with special music at 9 & 11 a.m. and **Hanging of the Greens** at 5:30 p.m.—Traditional adornments of the season announce a time of hopeful expectation

Weekly Devotional—email subscribe to adventdevo@uccftw.com

December 6 • Christmas Cantata—sermon in song
Chancel Choir presents John Rutter's *Joy to the World* at 9 & 11 a.m.

December 14 • Of Many Colors Christmas Concert at 7 p.m.

December 24 • Christmas Eve—Experience the *Wonder of Christmas*
12 p.m. **Worship**—noon service with communion
5 p.m. **Family Worship**—Children's Choir, bells, live Nativity & carols
8 p.m. **Traditional Worship**—Liturgical dance, Chamber Choir, bells, communion & candles
11 p.m. **Traditional Worship**—Liturgical dance, Chancel Choir, bells & candles

Enjoy a 30 minute instrumental concert prior to each of these services!

Of Many Colors presents *Joy to the World* on **Monday, December 14**. Come enjoy this 7 p.m. evening concert of jazz/gospel vocal and instrumental music in our Sanctuary. Free admission with an offering to benefit UCC music programs.

Home for the Holidays, a meal shared by those transitioning off the streets and into housing through the Directions Home program, will be held at UCC **December 8**. Pans of potatoes, green beans and stuffing needed. Contact Rachael Moffett at Tarrant Churches Together 817.737.5554 to sign up. Dishes should arrive hot and ready to go at UCC by 10:45 a.m. on December 8.

Online Worship Bulletin is available on the UCC website under Resources for those who wish to view it from home.

Adult Advent Devotions are available in The Arches.

Our Missionary Partners

Paul Turner • Democratic Republic of Congo Elena Huegel • Chile



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PROGRAM CONTACTS

Rev. Larry A. Thomas, Senior Minister; **Rev. Russ Boyd**, Assoc. Minister for Youth; **Rev. Ellen Lewis**, Assoc. Minister of Administration; **Rev. Cyndy W. Twedell**, Assoc. Minister of Outreach, Women's Ministries & Membership; **Rev. Jessica Vacketta**, Assoc. Minister for Adults and College; **Rev. Christi McDowell**, Assoc. Minister of Pastoral Care; **Alison Nicoll**, Assist. Minister for High School; **Tyler Heston**, Asst. Minister for Middle School; **Kyla K. Rosenberger**, Director of Music & Senior Organist; **Kera Watts**, Director of Children's Ministries.



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Be Still and Know God's Hope